

CURRENT COMMENTS

Mr. A. P. Thornton spent Sunday and Monday in the city.

Hon. R. C. L. Moncreur, of Stafford, was in Washington Monday on business.

Mr. D. Scott Quinton has sold his yacht "Owl" to the Philadelphia Yacht Club.

Mr. B. S. Tindler, of Valhalla, N. Y., has been visiting his former home in Orange.

Mrs. Minnie Tompkins has returned from a visit to friends in Richmond and Lynchburg.

Mrs. Otis G. Brooks, of Washington, is here a guest of her mother, Mrs. Alfred Kishpaugh.

Miss Jennie Hudson and niece, Miss Eva Strother, of King George county, were shoppers in the city Friday.

Messrs. Richard and John Strother, of Nokes, King George county, were in the city Tuesday shopping.

Mr. W. B. Graves and daughter, Miss Emily Graves, of Spring Valley, Md., are guests of Mrs. Wight at Federal Hill.

Buy that wedding gift at Kaufman's, the jeweler. You will be saved.

Mr. Chas. D. Foster left Tuesday evening for the University of Virginia, where he will represent the alumni of this city during the commencement.

Jewelry—the kind that gives satisfaction—bought of S. S. Kaufman, the jeweler.

Mrs. James Brown, Miss Emma Brown, Miss Fannie Self, Mr. Raleigh Brown and Master Kirkland Self, of Richmond county, were visitors here Tuesday.

Eyeglasses and spectacles to suit old and young. Eyes tested free. S. S. Kaufman, jeweler and optician.

Lizzie Neaves, a woman, guard from the colored State Hospital at Petersburg, came here Monday and took Mattie Seward to the institution.

Watches—the kind that needs no watching. See the large display at S. S. Kaufman's, the jeweler, at most enticing prices.

Mr. S. B. Hall, who has been here for a few days, returned Monday to the University of Virginia to attend the finals. He will return the latter part of the week.

Use the best Binding Twine in your harvest and avoid delays and trouble. No twine better than "Fitter's". Sold by Decker & Alrich.

Miss Mary V. Hughes, of "Laurel Hill," Rappahannock Co., who has been visiting her brother, Dr. J. M. Hughes left Monday to attend the finals at the University of Virginia.

When you buy "Gold Medal" flour from W. L. Brannan you are buying it from the mill agent; you therefore save money. Sacks 42c, 5c, \$1.68, \$3.33 and barrels \$6.66. "Gold Medal" flour is the best flour milled in America. Try it and see for yourself.

Dr. D. Scott Quinton has gone to Chattanooga as one of the delegates from this State to the national meeting of the Travelers' Protective Association. An effort will be made to have the next meeting in Richmond.

More quality, more style, better service than in any store in this section can be had at Jones'. Dry goods, ladies' ready to wear and millinery.

Dr. J. P. Stiff, accompanied by Mrs. S. and daughter, attended annual meeting of Virginia State Board of Dental Examiners, which is in session for examination of applicants to practice dentistry. He will return Friday.

That big lot of washdresses are here. \$2.50 dresses at \$1.89, \$5 dresses at \$3.89, \$8.50 dresses at \$6.49, white, lavender, gray, tan and natural linen. Come quick. The N. N. Brant Store.

Mrs. A. B. Jones, of Spotsylvania county, left Tuesday for Brimstone, Va., to attend the "Sunset School Convention" which meets with the church of which her son, Rev. A. W. Hampton Jones, is pastor.

When your eyes need attention think of the Norris Eye Store; they are equipped to give you the full test and guaranteed satisfaction. Moderate prices on frames and lenses. 619 Main St. Phone 290.

Miss Kate Jacobs and Miss Fannie Patton have gone to Washington, where they will spend some time visiting friends.

CITY ELECTION

All Old Members Re-elected to City Council

LIVELY CONTEST—716 VOTES CAST

The election for six Councilmen—three in the Upper and three in the Lower Ward—took place Tuesday. There was not an incident of the day which marred the good feeling which existed.

It was a lively contest in both wards, the candidates and their friends being more or less active all day.

The six men elected are present members of the Council, viz: Messrs. J. P. Rowe, W. E. Bradley and H. B. Lane, of the Upper, and Messrs. Henry Warden, J. W. Masters and W. S. Embrey, of the Lower Ward.

The other candidates were Messrs. T. M. Larkin, W. J. Ford and K. N. Goolrick, of the Upper, and Messrs. K. N. Goolrick and S. W. Somerville, of the Upper Ward.

The term of those elected is for four years from Sept. 1, 1910.

The total number of votes cast was 716. In Upper Ward, 344; Lower, 372.

UPPER WARD

Rowe	224
Bradley	207
Lane	207
Goolrick	169
Somerville	146

LOWER WARD

Warden	234
Masters	194
Embrey	194
Larkin	174
Ford	132
Foster	92

ELECTION CIRCULARS AFLOAT

During the night before the election two sets of circulars were distributed, one an anonymous attack on Mr. Warden and the other, also anonymous, eulogizing him.

The circular attacking Mr. Warden no doubt added considerably to his total vote.

This method of campaigning was condemned by citizens generally.

ROAD CONTRACTS SIGNED

Spotsylvania Board Completes Preliminary Matters.

WORK SOON TO BEGIN, ETC., ETC.

The board of public roads of Spotsylvania county, Messrs. Perry, Thorburn, Capt. Rowe and Dr. Harris, after riding over the new road above Falmouth in an automobile, held a meeting in the Business Men's Association rooms here Wednesday at 11 o'clock.

They went over the contracts for constructing the Spotsylvania roads and the contracts were all signed up by the board, having previously been signed by R. G. Lassiter, the contractor.

Capt. Rowe offered the following resolution which was adopted, resolved, That it is the sense of this board that the gravel road at certain points should be 16 feet or more in width, but we find that according to the road law we cannot exceed 14 feet in width of gravel bed.

In nearly all cases where good roads have been constructed, the gravel has been given to the county and the board would be glad to hear from anyone having gravel on their land along the line of roads to be built.

The board put in an application for an engineer from the State Good Roads Department to ascertain as soon as possible if sufficient gravel can be found along the river road for building that road.

The roads to be built are as follows: Courtland District—Court House road from Fredericksburg to Nye River 8.4 miles. Telegraph road from Court House to Massaponich church 4.5 miles. Plank road from Fredericksburg to Chancellors District 3.4 miles. River road from Fredericksburg to a point near Falmouth 10.8 miles. Chancellors District—Plank Road from Courtland to Catharpin Road, 5.25 miles. The Gordons Road, 1.5 miles. The Pike between Five Mile Fork and Chancellors District, 4.75 miles. Total 13.94 miles.

The board reserves the right to withhold the contracts for the building of the road between Five Mile Fork and Chancellors District and the River Road in Courtland District.

An engineer from the State Good Roads Department will be in charge of the work, which will begin July 5th.

The board passed a resolution requesting the Board of Supervisors to take up the question of wide tires for heavy hauling.

FORMER STAFFORDIAN SUICIDED

Killed Himself By Shooting in the Head.

WAS RESIDENT OF LANSDALE, PA.

Marcel L. Decatur, son of Mr. Wilson Decatur, of Stafford, committed suicide in Lansdale, Pa., on June 13, 1910, by shooting himself in the head with a 32-caliber revolver. For the tragic deed he chose the pretty gray plot of the Lansdale Lodge No. 974, I. O. O. F., and the hotel 2nd. He was 32 years of age and is survived by his wife and one child 4 months old. He served his country in the cavalry corps in the Philippines, going to Manila shortly after the close of the war, where he was employed in the smithshop of Thos. J. Hillwick up to the very hour he fired the fatal shot.

The body was brought to his home in Stafford, and the funeral took place at his home Sunday, June 12th. Interment in the family burying ground. He was a member of Lansdale Lodge of Odd Fellows and of another order there.

LETTER FROM HICKS' STORE

Hick's Store, Va., June 13th, 1910.

Monday, June 6th, being court day we were glad to visit the old historic C. H. after an absence of seven months to mingle with old friends once more. Yet we were somewhat disappointed in not seeing street cars and soda fountains in full blast, also sorry to learn the busy season had caused the resting of both the county in boarding and new officers will be elected.

It was our privilege as well as pleasure to partake of the hospitality of Mr. J. A. Harris and enjoy a fine dinner of new vegetables. In the absence of Mrs. Harris the table was graced by her charming daughter, Miss Louise, and her niece, Miss Annie Foster. (Our young ladies could grace the dining room as well as the parlor to the credit of both daughters and parents.)

There is a great deal of complaint of bad and lousy weather in the corn crops. Both negroes and whites should be broken from carrying pistols. That not only causes so much suffering, but the expense of the county in boarding and keeping them a trial could be better spent.

We regret to learn of the illness of Mrs. Haney, near Falmouth, and hope she may soon be restored to health.

We were glad to see Mr. R. L. Todd out again after his continued spell of sickness.

Mrs. J. A. Harris returned home on the 8th, after spending some time with her son in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. L. A. Harris was in the Burg Thursday on business.

The recent rain has helped the growing crops of grass and it is thought that about half a crop of hay will be gathered.

Our Sunday school met at this hospitable home of Mr. E. L. Bartel on the evening of June 11th for rehearsal and owing to bad roads but few were out. Yet a good time was spent by all present.

Miss Violet Harris left for Washington today, where she has accepted a position with the government, while we as well as her many friends hate to see her go, yet we wish her great success.

Mr. Warner Kent, of Valley Forge, at home visiting parents and friends. Warner is always a welcome guest in this section.

We were shocked to learn of the death of Mrs. Lee C. Graves. May Graves, our sympathy; no one can sympathize with anyone losing a dear companion more than we, yet the Lord giveth and taketh away. Blessed be his name.

Mr. Clifton Harris and John Swift were visiting in this section Sunday.

CHILDREN'S DAY AT TABERNACLE

Children's Day was celebrated at Tabernacle Methodist church Sunday, June 12 at 3 o'clock. Despite the unfavorable weather the house was well filled. The program was as follows:

Organ solo by the organist.

Prayer by Rev. T. E. Thomas.

Opening song, "Lindley Seales." Singing, In the Name of Jesus.

Recitation, "Tis Children's Day Again, Elva Johnson.

How By Little Birds Know, by Carl Morrison, Everett Seay, Alonzo Cooper and Rhoe Thomas.

Primary solo and chorus, Hazel Johnson, Irma Hudson, Inez Hudson.

Recitation, When They Came, Lena Powell.

Singing, Song of Praise.

How By Little Birds Know, by Carl Morrison, Everett Seay, Alonzo Cooper and Rhoe Thomas.

Recitation, The Angel's Message, Ruby Rose, Inez Hudson.

Recitation, Words, Irma Hudson.

Solo, Rejoice, 'Tis Children's Day, Miss Ola Rawley.

Recitation, Help Somebody, by Hazel Johnson.

In June time, Lelia Allen, Hazel Johnson, Myrtle Musselman.

Garden and Field, by Lena Powell, Lelia Allen, Hazel Johnson, Myrtle Musselman, Irma Hudson, Helen Rebecca Morrison, Carl Thorburn, Elva Johnson, Ruby Rose, Isabel Thorburn, Margaret Thomas, Velma Johnson, Nelson Musselman, Maxwell Thomas, Elmer Thomas.

Solo and chorus, Flowers of the Field and Garden, Elmer Thomas.

Singing, Summer Flags Are Flying. Address by the pastor.

Closing song, Our Father's Love. Benediction.

The exercises were well rendered, and while each one did his or her part well, we make special mention of little Helen Rebecca Morrison as For-get-me-not, and the solo of Miss Rawley, which was greatly enjoyed.

One Who Was Present.

Chancellor Makes The Spring Farming 1910

American Wire Fencing, from 26 to 58 inches high; Barbed Wire and Staples, Superior Disc Drills, Drag and Spring Tooth Harrows, The Best Manure Spreaders, The Best Gasoline Engines, 2 to 20 Horse Power; Saw Mills, Farmers' Friend Corn Drills, with and without fertilizer attachments; The Most Improved Cream Separators, all sizes; Hand and Horse and Riding Cultivators, Farm Wagons, Carriages, Buggies, and other Vehicles, Tar Roofing Paper and Cape, Oliver Chilled Plows, Farmers' Friend Plows, Chains, Chains, Well Buckets, Spades, Hoes, and other Farming Implements bought for cash in large quantities and offered at the very lowest cash price. REMEMBER THE NAME AND PLACE.

M. S. Chancellor

FARMERS' SUPPLY STORE, Commerce Street.

DID YOU READ C. W. JONES' AD.

in the last issue of this paper? If not go to Jones' store all through June.

Special Bargains are Being Offered

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W. L. BRANNAN

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Season 1910.

ALLANDALE FARM, -Fredericksburg-

STOLE HIS BICYCLE

Mr. K. N. Goolrick was kept busy at the polls Tuesday and had his bicycle stolen by him for rapid transit. He left it in front of the Law Building when he went in to see the vote counted, and when he came out someone else was riding it. It was returned to him Wednesday morning.

THE NEW COLLEGE FACULTY

These composing the faculty of Fredericksburg College for next session are as follows:

The president, professor of Biblical instruction, mental and moral science and German.

Joseph N. Barney, A. B. (Hamden, Conn.), professor of physical science, and French.

William Walter Rankin, Jr., B. E. (N. C. A. and M.), professor of mathematics.

Heman Summerell Shaw, A. B. (Davidson), professor of English language and literature, history.

Lawrence Inglis McQueen, A. B. (Central University of Kentucky), professor of Latin and Greek.

Miss Janie V. Bishop, A. B. (Fredericksburg College), instructor in mathematics and English.

Frank Ligon, assistant in history.

Miss Mary Alma Goldman, assistant in English.

P. G. Thompson, assistant in Latin.

S. W. Somerville, treasurer of College.

Prof. L. I. McQueen, clerk of faculty.

Miss Cary Graves, gymnasium director for girls.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

President, F. A. Franklin, piano, violin, harmony and musical history.

Miss Emma Gold Hutchison, assistant piano.

Miss Annie Lee Fulton, assistant violin.

Miss F. A. Franklin, director College Orchestra.

PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT

The president, Dr. Barney, physical science.

Professor Rankin, mathematics.

Professor Shaw, English and history.

Professor McQueen, Latin and Greek.

Miss Cary Graves, A. B. (Presbyterian College for Women), assistant in English, history and mathematics.

Miss Emma Gold Hutchison (Woman's College), assistant in English, history and Latin.

PRIMARY

Miss Theresa Melver Wicker, principal.

Miss Janie V. Bishop, assistant.

EXCURSIONISTS HERE

Were Busy Buying Goods While in the City.

Steamer Lancaster arrived at the wharf here Monday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, bringing the excursionists from the Kanawha.

Notwithstanding the bad weather a good crowd came up, numbering over 150 persons. Monday many rode about the city, while others visited the stores and all Tuesday morning the strangers were busy shopping with our merchants in different lines of business.

The steamer left on return trip Tuesday at 2 p. m. We hope to see another excursion soon under more favorable weather conditions.

A SERIOUS ACCIDENT

Mr. W. C. Humphreys of Mount Pleasant, while engaged Tuesday in tearing down a sawmill shanty near his home, was caught under the building when it fell, pinning him to the ground for more than half an hour. His groans and calls for help attracted the attention of his daughter, who went to his rescue, but finding that she could not aid him quickly summoned several neighbors, who relieved him. Mr. Humphreys was taken on a stretcher to his home, a few hundred yards away. One of his hips was badly mashed and it is thought he received internal injuries.

MR. RANKIN COLLEGE FIELD AGENT

Mr. W. W. Rankin, Jr., has been appointed field agent for Fredericksburg College. He is now actively engaged in a canvass for students for next session. Mr. Rankin has filled the chair of mathematics for the past two years and by his efficient work in his department and his activity in promoting the college spirit has won a warm place in the affections of the students. He has the entire confidence of the management of the institution.

WEDDED IN WASHINGTON

Alexander Banz and Miss Burtie M. Sanford, of Westmoreland county, Charles J. H. Walker, of Orange Co., and Mrs. Rosa H. Green, of Culpeper, were married in Washington Tuesday.

STAFFORD REPUBLICANS

Elect New County Committee—Delegates to Alexandria Convention Named.

The Republican party of Stafford county held a mass meeting at Stafford C. H. Monday, June 13th, 1910.

On motion Hon. M. K. Lowry was elected chairman, and Mr. C. A. Bryan, secretary.

Mr. Lowry stated the object of the meeting was to elect delegates to the Congressional Convention to be held in Alexandria June 20th, for the purpose of nominating a Republican candidate for Congress in the 8th Congressional district, and for reorganization of the party in the county.

On motion the temporary organization was made permanent.

The following delegates and alternates were elected to the Alexandria convention: Delegates—Messrs. C. D. Green, C. N. Knight, Walter Jones, Harwood Simpson, H. L. Lightner and W. H. Herlihy. Alternates—Messrs. Lee Wallace, R. E. Combs, E. O. Brooks, Urah Knight, W. C. Atcher son, Duff Bridwell, Hon. M. K. Lowry, delegate at large.

Messrs. M. K. Lowry and C. A. Bryan then resigned their positions as chairman and secretary, respectively, of the county committee, and the resignation was accepted.

The meeting then elected the following to compose the county committee and officers of same:

Chairman of county committee, Chas. D. Green; secretary, C. Newman Knight; precinct committeemen, Simpson, Jno. W. Hall; Hartwood, D. W. Coakley; Rossie, Silas L. Rose; Stafford Store, Walter Wamsley; Griffith, W. B. Waber; Stafford C. H., C. N. Knight; Brooke, W. T. Payne; White Oak, Staph Chinn; Falmouth, E. O. Brooks.

The meeting then adjourned.

AUCTION SALE

The stock of tinware, etc., belonging to W. J. Davis was sold under an execution on Tuesday to satisfy a judgment in the hands of Sergeant Chickester. The sale commenced at 11 o'clock and was well attended and bidding was lively. The articles brought fair prices. Mr. N. B. Kinsey cried the sale.

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MOTHER WASHINGTON ROAD

Mr. Harris Makes a Suggestion.

Wants Memorial Road From Washington to Fredericksburg.

Fredericksburg, Va., June 13th, 1910. To The Free Lance.

Now that the Spotsylvania good roads are being built, with good prospect for a finished road in the near future, the time is now to begin a movement for a Mother Washington Memorial Road from Washington to Fredericksburg, Va., 100 feet wide, 60 miles long, built by the U. S. Government of mammoth. All patriotic women of the State and other States, other States, newspapers will endorse it, and there is no good reason why the Congress of the U. S. should not pass a bill for this object with promptness. This will open a visitor's roadway of much interest from Washington around the battlefields of Spotsylvania. Now, gentlemen, here is your opportunity for a grand work.

Yours for good roads, Thos. H. Harris.

HARRIS AGAIN ON TRIAL

Faces Jury at Manassas For Killing Thompson.

The second trial of Prof. J. D. Harris for the killing of W. A. Thompson at Warrenton April 24, 1910, was begun in the circuit court of Prince Georges county, Manassas, Monday, on a change of venue from Fauquier county. A jury soon was secured, only 19 out of the 30 summoned being called.

The Commonwealth examined three witnesses, Irvine Maxheimer, a brother-in-law of Thompson; Mason Strother, and Richard Halstrom.

The defendant is represented by Marshall McCormick, Richard E. Byrd, G. L. Fletcher, E. E. Garrett, and R. A. Hutchinson.

Marked progress was made Tuesday in the trial of Prof. J. D. Harris, charged with the killing of W. A. Thompson.

Twenty-two witnesses, nine for the prosecution and thirteen for the defense, were examined. The Commonwealth closed its case at 3 o'clock, with the right to put the widow of Thompson on the stand later.

Thompson was a well known citizen of Manassas and his death has caused much sorrow in the community.

It is probable the case will go to the jury by Thursday night.

MEETING OF UNIVERSITY ALUMNI

Tuesday was alumni day at the University of Virginia.

The general alumni association heard reports from its officers. The outgoing president, Congressman W. A. Rorer, of Warsaw, presided. His successor for the term of two years was elected—R. Walton Moore, of Fairfax.

Following this meeting came the annual alumni luncheon at the University Hotel, where the alumni of the year were present. R. Gray Williams, of Winchester, welcomed the young alumni.

Dr. Chas. Baskerville, of New York, delivered the annual alumni address, his theme being "The Function of a University."

President Alderman made a happy speech in accepting the class presents of two bunches of Pompeian stone and a sun dial of Italian marble.

KILLED BY TRAIN

George C. Norris, a farmer and dairyman of Mitchell's Station, was run over by a Sunday night by a Southern train and killed.

Norris and D. A. Slaughter, ex-member of the legislature, had been to Culpeper as pallbearers at the funeral of George Latham.

They returned to Slaughter's home where Norris spent the evening. About 10 o'clock Norris started walking to his home, a mile distant, and sought the railroad track to avoid the wet fields. His body was found Monday morning on the rails by his son. Mr. Norris was 50 years of age, a widower and is survived by two sons and three daughters.

GROVES-WATSON

Miss Cora Watson, daughter of Mr. W. A. Watson, of Brooke, was married Wednesday at the parsonage of the Methodist church at Stafford to H. H. A. Groves, a merchant at Brooke. Rev. W. R. Hardesty performed the ceremony. Mr. Groves is a telegrapher on the L. E. & P. R. R. and will reside near Brooke.

AN APPROACHING WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Rush Marshall, of King George county, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Margaret Norcross Marshall, to Mr. Ryland Remington Hale, of Village, Richmond county. The ceremony will take place at Shiloh Baptist Church on Tuesday, June 28, at high noon.

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There will be preaching at the following places in Stafford County, Va.: Antioch 11 a. m., Ebenezer, 3:30 p. m., and Register Chapel, 8 p. m.

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